

January 31, 2002

-Reverend James J. Foley  
St. Patrick Rectory  
44 East Central Street  
Natick, MA 01760

Dear Father Foley:

This letter is to inform you that, by Archdiocesan Policy, allegations of clergy sexual misconduct have been reported to the proper legal authorities.

I know that this is a very difficult matter for you personally and would like to make recommendations for you to consider:

First, if you are now in counseling, this is a serious matter needing discussion with your therapist. If you are not presently in treatment, I would strongly recommend that you contact your therapist to renew your relationship. If appropriate, I am able to recommend any necessary counseling support.

Secondly, because this is now a legal matter, I would suggest that you avail yourself of appropriate legal counsel to guide you in responding to any legal inquiries that may be forthcoming.

Thirdly, I wish to remind you that you are restricted from any and all public ministry.

Most importantly, I know that as a person of faith you will need to draw upon the spiritual supports of the Sacraments, prayer and spiritual direction. I realize that this is a difficult message and would like to be available in any way that might be helpful to you.

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. Charles J. Higgins  
Delegate of the Archbishop

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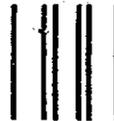
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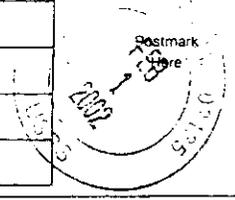
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